RESOLUTION NO. 20121213-066

WHEREAS, properties built in and around the City of Austin during and prior to the 1980s may have substandard or no structural water quality controls and may therefore discharge untreated, uncontrolled urban runoff into waterways; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has enacted Section 25-8-27 (Redevelopment Exception in the Barton Springs Zone) of the City Code to encourage the redevelopment of older properties while providing significant new environmental protections; and

WHEREAS, the number, type, and location of properties benefitting from the redevelopment exception provided by Section 25-8-27 is limited, but could be amended to increase its use and concomitant environmental and community benefits; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Manager is directed to work with stakeholders to develop recommendations for improving both redevelopment opportunities and environmental protection, and to report the recommendations to City Council not later than April 30, 2013.

In doing so, the City Manager is directed to consider:

(1) the impact of expanding the application of 25-8-27 (Redevelopment Exception in the Barton Springs Zone) to include redevelopment of existing residential development in City watersheds inside and outside the Barton Springs Zone;

- (2) the impact of expanding the application of redevelopment exceptions in the City Code to include redevelopment of a portion of a site; and
- (3) other code amendments that could encourage redevelopment while providing environmental benefits in the Barton Springs Zone; and, if appropriate, in other areas of the City.

ADOPTED: December 13, 2012 ATTEST: ______

Shirley A. Gentry

City Clerk